National Capital Region Development Plan

1679. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRI AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a National Capital Region Development Plan of Rs. 994 crores has been approved by Government;

(b) if so, the main objectives and the details of the plan; and

(c) the steps taken/being taken in pursuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JATHMALANI): (a) to (c) The National Capital Region Planning Board has drawn up an Annual Plan for 1998-99 for an investment programme of Rs. 995 crores for inclusion in the Annual Action Plan of the Ministry of Urban Afairs & Employment. The proposed investment in the Annual Plan includes development programmes relating to new townships (Rs. 584 crores) and core infrastructure (Rs. 411 crores) which are to be jointly financed by the Board and the member States on 75:25 basis. The resources for the envisaged investment is proposed to be mobilised through:

A. Budgetary support from:

(a) Ministry of Urban Affairs & Employment;

(b) Contribution of NCT Delhi; and

(c) Matching provision by Haryana, Rajasthan & Uttar pradesh at project level;

B. Internal & Extra Budgetary Resources of:

(a) Internal accruals of NCRPB;

(b) Tax Free Bonds;

(c) Taxable Bonds;

(d) Line of Credit from Financial Institutions; and

(e) Borrowing from Financial Institutions.

There is a provision of Rs. 45 crores for the Board during the current year in this Ministry's budget. The NCT Delhi has allocated Rs. 20 crores in their Annual Plan towards contribution to the Board. In the meantime, the Board has been sanctioned and Internal Extra Budgetary Resources (IEBR) of Rs. 624 crores and received clearance for floacting Tax-free Bonds to the tune of Rs. 60 crores during 1998-99.

Clearance to MRTS in Delhi

1680. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have given clearance to plan of Metro Rail Transport System in Delhi;

(b) if so, by when the work on the projects is likely to commence and whether all objections relating to the project have been resolved;

(c) the modifications if any, alongwith the salient features of the scheme;

(d) the estimated cost of this project; and

(e) what is the target date of completion and commencement of traffic on each phase of the system?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) Yes, Sir. Clearance to Delhi MRTS Project was accorded by the Union Govt. in July, 1994. The investment approval for Phase-1 of Delhi MRTS Project was given by the Govt. in Septemeber, 1996.

(b) The physical work of the project on ground commenced in October, 1998. Objections to the project, as and when received are being resolved.

(c) and (d) No modifications to the project, as approved by the Govt. in September, 1996, have been carried out.

It comprises of an Underground Metro Corridor from Central Secretariat to vshva Vidyalaya (11 Kms), two Surface/ Elevated rail corridors-one from Shahadara to Nangloi (25 Kms) and the other from Pulbangesh to Holambi Kalan (19.3 Kms). The total cost of this project is estimataed at Rs. 4860 crore at April, 96 prices.

(e) By March, 2005 the Phase-1 of the project is scheduled to be completed and opened to traffic. At present there is no approval of the Govenment for its subsequent phases.

Urban Housing and Employment During Plans

1681. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken to improve urban housing and employment in the country in the Seventh Plan and Eighth Plan, State-wise; and

(b) the targets set up for Ninth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA): (a) and (b) In so far as Urban Housing is concerned it is stated that Housing being a State subject, it is for the State Government to formulate and implement various social housing schemes in accordance with plan priorities and local requirements for which they can seek loan assistance from HUDCO.

In order to enable HUDCO to provide financial assistance for housing schemes, Government has provided equity support to the extent of Rs. 228 crore during 7th & 8th Plans. In aditions, exemption from income tax was available to HUDCO upto 1989-90 and exemption from payment of divident was available upto 1991-92

HUDCO has set a loan sanction target of Rs. 8461 crore for Housing during 9th Plan. Out of which Rs. 4630 crore has been earmarked for EWS & LIG Housing.

In so far as Urban Employment is concerned, it is stated that this Ministry has been implementing Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY) since October, 1989 with the objective of providing opportunities to unemployed and under employed urban pour living below poverty line, during the 7th Plan and 8th Plan period. The State-wise achievements under the scheme is enclosed as Statement-I *(See* Below)

Also recognizing the seriousness and complexity of urban poverty problems, the Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMI UPEP) was launched in the country in November, 1995 and the scheme was in operation till 30th November, 1997. Cumulative achievement, State-wise, under the programme is enclosed as Statment-II (*See* below).

At present the Ministry has been implementing the Swarna Jayanti Shahari Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) with effect from 1.12.97, after merger of all the three pervious programmes, *viz.* Nehru Rozgar yojana, Urban Basic Services for the Poor and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme. It is proposed to continue SJSRY during the 9th Plan. The matter pertaining to the fixation of targets under SJSRY has been left to be decided by the State Governments in conformity with the guidelines of the scheme.